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Major George D. Hamilton, U. S. Marine Corps, recruiting officer for Southern California, with offices at 287 South Spring street, Los Angeles, announces that he has been authorized to enlist 40 men during September and desirable young men are now being accepted.

Briefly, applicants should be between the ages of 18 and 30, single, physically fit and of good habits and character. Men accepted by the Recruiting Office at Los Angeles are enlisted and transferred to the Marine Corps Base in San Diego for a preliminary course of instruction. Upon completion of this training period, these men will be ready to go aboard one of Uncle Sam's battleships or to some foreign country where Marines are on duty guarding American lives and American property.

Five Fined On Drunk Charges

Five persons, including two women, were arrested by local police during the past week-end on charges of intoxication. They either paid \$5 fines or were ordered to stay out of Torrance for one year by City Judge Robert Lessing.

Onions May Gain Strength

DAVIS, Cal. (U.P.)—Scientists at the Agricultural School of the University of California are breeding new strains of onions to make them stronger—not however, in taste, halottis, but in resistance to disease.

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Original SUBDIVIDERS Are Liquidating

Dominguez Land Nears End of Business; Has Sold Entire City During 26 Years of Existence

MOST men enter business hoping to stay in business. But the Dominguez Land Corporation, original developing firm which contributed greatly to the founding of Torrance, went into business in 1911 to get out of business.

And by the time this month rolls around next year that firm expects to succeed. Organized as a company and in 1912 advanced to a corporation, Dominguez Land at one time owned more than 4,000 acres—including all of the original city, a big slice of the present Los Angeles Shoestring strip leading to the harbor and some land which is still in county territory.

Welch Heads Firm
Today it has less than 140 acres remaining to be sold—including 29 business lots and 26 residential plots in Torrance. During the past 27 years it has sold between \$4,000,000 and \$5,000,000 worth of property in this area. When the last lot is sold the Dominguez Land Corporation will dissolve, thus realizing the original purpose of the firm. This was to develop Torrance, sell its land and, instead of putting the profits back into more property, turn them over to stockholders.

Present officers of the corporation are: Bryan K. Welch, nephew of the city's founder, the late Jared Sidney Torrance, president; W. D. Longyear, original board member and for many years a vice-president of the Security Bank of Los Angeles, vice president; Charles A. Curtis, a resident of this city since 1920, secretary; L. C. Torrance, Jr., another nephew of the city founder, treasurer. In addition to Welch, Longyear and Torrance, the board of directors includes Reese Milner, Russell Wood, John S. Cravens (who was one of the original directors) and Mrs. Frances Whitaker.

Offered Many Services
Dominguez Land's period of greatest activity was between 1921 and 1928, paralleling the oil boom which, with industrial progress, "put Torrance on the map."

The firm, in addition to paving streets, alleys, laying sidewalks, sewer lines and directing the utilities in servicing the budding city, also served early residents in the matter of garbage collection, water service and street lighting. It is disposed of its domestic water system in 1928 as one of the steps toward liquidation. Today, in the sunset of its existence, the Dominguez Land corporation may look back more than a quarter of a century and recall the many stirring scenes

LOCAL STATUTES CODIFIED AND CROSS-INDEXED

One of the most important jobs in the city clerk's office is the indexing, filing and preservation of more than 1,250 resolutions adopted by the city council during the past 17 years. Miss Dorothy Christie is doing this work in her "spare time." She has completed indexing the city's 316 ordinances.

Codifying resolutions is a complicated business because they must be cross-indexed under several holdings for easy location. Similarly, the ordinance file is cross-indexed to permit quick reference.

CIO Boss



Harry Bridges, the Australian-born West Coast boss of the CIO, is caught by a candid cameraman at Los Angeles, as Bridges entered the court of Superior Judge Edward T. Bishop to face two contempt charges brought by the Los Angeles Bar Association.

Lifer, 21, Gives Lecture To Brother on Crime

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (U.P.)—The last request of 21-year-old Norman Mundt before he began serving a life sentence for robbery armed was that he be allowed to "lecture" his 17-year-old brother on the futility of crime.

Watchman Computes Steps
HAYWARD (U.P.)—Glenn Bayley, for 11 years night watchman at the Hayward Union high school, has calculations showing that he has walked 30,000 miles.

incident with the development of the city it carved out of bean fields and sand dunes.



MUNICIPAL BAND . . . A keen interest in Charles Chaplin, an outstanding civic attraction. The band will be heard at the Los Angeles County Fair in Pomona this month. Concerts by this group are always enjoyed.

State Job Claims Average \$18,135 Monthly Here

California's distribution of unemployment compensation during the month of July amounted to \$2,350,894.27, according to an announcement made this week by Carl L. Hyde, executive-director of the State Department of Employment. Payments into the fund now amount to more than 102 million dollars.

Funds distributed in Torrance amounted to \$23,297.57 for July and this city has received a total of \$128,949.98 since the Department began payments this year. This is an average of \$18,135.71 monthly for the first seven months of the year.

Hyde said the July distribution brought the total amount paid claimants to July 31 to \$12,241,381.88. A total of 1,286,031 checks were written up to that date, with 250,103 written during July alone.

Hyde said that since Jan. 1, 1938, a total of 359,400 claims for benefits have been filed with the Department of Employment. Of this total 88,725 claims were found to be non-payable in accordance with the terms of the California Unemployment Re-serves Act. Also, a total of 74,739 persons have exhausted their benefits for the benefit year in which they filed, and will not be eligible to further benefits until fifty-two weeks succeeding the date their first check was due.

Hyde pointed out that, with the non-payable claims, and the benefits exhausted, the Department is now paying, or is about to pay on 197,946 claims for compensation.

ROOM FOR EXPANSION

A study of Torrance factories reveals that in each instance a maximum of ground is possessed by the individual firms, permitting planning of plant operations on a liberal scale.

Hero Returns



"Of such is fame" might well be the gist of Douglas Corrigan's thoughts as he studies a bronze memorial at the Long Beach, Cal., Municipal Airport marking the start of his "wrong way" flight to Ireland.

Nine Babies Born At Hospital Here

Seven boys and two girls were born at Torrance Memorial hospital during the past week-end. Three of the babies arriving early yesterday morning. They were: a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. D. P. McFarland, Wilmington; a son to Mr. and Mrs. Osbie Griffith of San Pedro, and a son to Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Thompson, 2517 Sonoma. Thompson is employed at the Columbia Steel plant.

The other new arrivals were: a son to Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Brimer, Gardena, Tuesday; a son to Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Bernhard, Gardena, last Thursday; a son to Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Deroulin, 1625 Beech, Monday; a son to Mr. and Mrs. Delmar R. Davidson, Gardena, last Friday.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Grazer, Hermosa Beach, last Thursday; and a son to Mr. and Mrs. George Hayes, Manhattan Beach, Tuesday.

Blind Man Plays Golf
LONDON (U.P.)—W. H. Oxenham, blind golfer, may go to the United States to give exhibition matches for blind charities.

Reno Claims Auto Record
RENO, Nev. (U.P.)—This city claims the highest ratio of passenger automobiles to population of any state in the Union. It has one for every 2.7 residents.

Auto Club Urges Adoption of Two Propositions

Discussions of Propositions Nos. 3 and 4 which will appear on the November ballot was the principal business brought before a luncheon gathering at Little Bavaria, Manhattan Beach Monday. The meeting was sponsored by the Automobile Club of Southern California and the Southwest District Planning Commission. Numerous city officials from neighboring communities were present. Torrance was represented by Councilmen James E. Hitchcock and City Engineer Leonard Young.

Those present were urged to promote the success of these measures. Proposition 3 opposes the diversion of gasoline tax funds into channels not related to highways. It provides that gas tax money shall be spent solely for the building, maintaining and administering streets and highways and for highway safety. "protects federal aid allotments, which are reduced to states permitting gas tax diversions; prevents future increases in the gas tax; permits emergency borrowing of motor-tax funds for school purposes.

Proposition No. 4 creates a full-time paid commission of five members, sets up no new commission but re-organizes the present commission with a view to making its operations more efficient and economical; members of the commission under this proposition will be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the state senate, for long, staggered terms.

Insurance Agency Is 25 Years Old

By fair dealings with the public and prompt adjustment of claims the Torrance General Insurance Agency at 1405 Marcelina, owned and operated by Howard G. Locke, has become one of the leading insurance firms here.

The agency was established by City Clerk A. H. Bartlett in 1913. He sold his interest to Locke in 1930, and in 1934 the insurance business of L. B. Kelsey was purchased by Locke. He is assisted in the business by his wife as his secretary and bookkeeper.

Mr. and Mrs. Locke came to Torrance in 1930 and purchased their home at 1824 Andreo avenue. They have two sons. The eldest son Carl is a student at the Baptist Divinity School at Berkeley, Calif., and Howard Jr. attends Torrance high school.

Frog Market Looks Strong
SWANTON, Vt. (U.P.)—The "frog market" should suffer no slump, according to George Bruyette, a dealer. Bruyette says the country uses about 1,000,000 pounds of frog's legs each year. He estimates about 30 frogs are necessary for each pound of legs.

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